



Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

PTO/SB/USA (10/01)
1600-7412-0661-0031

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0831-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Substitute for form 1449-F
**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 1

Complete if known
Application Number 09/542,783
Filing Date April 4, 2000
First Named Inventor Whitman et al.
Group Art Unit 2823
Examiner Name B. Kebcede
2260-42941 IS (98-1208.00/US)

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner
Signature

Book Kibed

Date

3/31/2005

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not

considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to the Office.
1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional).³ See Kids Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3).⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁴ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if the document is in a language other than English. ⁵ English language Translation is attached.



Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Use as many sheets as necessary.

6

1

<i>Complete if Known</i>	
Application Number	09/542,783
Filing Date	April 4, 2000
First Named Inventor	John Whitman
Group Art Unit	2823
Examiner Name	B. Kebede
Attorney/Decket Number	42941US (98-1208 00/LIS)

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner

Barry Keford

Date

3/31/2004

***EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.**

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Article 17(1)(b) of the WIPO Patent Document at www.wipo.int or MPKE 90/04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant, its place, a check mark here if English/Japanese Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.